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Subject: Executive Order on Protecting the Federal Workforce and Requiring Mask-Wearing

Good Afternoon Colleagues,

Yesterday, President Biden signed an Executive Order on Protecting the Federal Workforce and Requiring Mask-Wearing. This Executive Order requires all Federal employees, Federal contractors and other individuals 'in Federal buildings and on Federal lands to 'wear masks, maintain physical distance, and adhere to other public health measures, as provided in CDC guidelines' to counter the spread of COVID-19. While this order is consistent with the guidance Region 2 facilities have been following from the Region 2 COVID-19 Reconstitution Plan, moving forward we will be: leading the Facility Security Committees at 290 Broadway and at City View Plaza to update signage; as well as updating our signage at the Edison Environmental Center and at other regional facilities, to reflect the implementation of this Executive Order.

As the number of COVID cases continue to remain consistent or steadily increase throughout the country, we remind staff that telework is encouraged in Phase 2 of EPA's reopening plan. We will continue to provide notifications of COVID touchpoints in Region 2 facilities to allow staff to assess the situation and make decisions on entering facilities appropriate to their own circumstances.

Be safe and if you are sick or experiencing any COVID19 symptoms, please stay home.

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